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Pharaoh investigated... yet his HEART was unyielding and he would not let the people go.

The Lord hardened Pharaoh's HEART and he would not listen to Moses and Aaron.

Exodus 9:7, 12

*We are an ordinary group of loved and forgiven sinners set free to be children of God and saints who follow Jesus Christ, **making disciples** of lost sinners for Him, and **growing disciples** in joyfully obeying all of Jesus' commands to express love for God and people.*

We Celebrate in Worship

*Childcare is provided for children newborn through 5 years old during each worship service. Please ask any usher for assistance.
The * indicates when we stand, but please be seated at any time if standing is uncomfortable.*

***Gathering Song** "Even So Come"
***Call to Praise**
***Songs of Praise** "Yield My Heart"
"More Like Jesus"

***Prayer of Invocation**

Announcements

At this time in the 10:30 a.m. service, children in K-4th grade are dismissed for Kid's Church in the upstairs youth room. Parents please accompany your child on their first visit.

Call to Prayer Isaiah 55:10-11
Prayer Requests & Testimonies
Prayer

Communion Instructions and Prayer
Call to Remember "Here's My Heart"
Communion

Call to Give and Prayer
Offertory "King of My Heart"

Bible Text Exodus 9:1-12 (page 49)
Page numbers are for Bibles located under many of the seats in the sanctuary. These are available for your use in worship. We have free Bibles to give you at the Welcome Center—ask any Pastor if you'd like to have a Bible to keep for your own.

Message Title "When Sacred Cows Die"

Invitation
***Closing Song** "Good Good Father"

**Please stand, if you are able*

Message Notes

“When Sacred Cows Die”

Exodus 9:1-12

FREEDOM IS FOUND ONLY IN WORSHIP OF THE ONE, TRUE GOD

“Let my people go, so that they may worship me.” (Exodus 9:1)

- also read John 8:24, 34; Romans 6:2, 6-7; Matthew 16:25

BELIEVING LIES HARDENS OUR HEARTS

“[Pharaoh’s] heart was unyielding and he would not let the people go...The Lord hardened Pharaoh’s heart and he would not listen to Moses and Aaron.” (Exodus 9:7, 12)

- also read Romans 1:18-32; Romans 8:5-8

DON’T MISS THE EVIDENCE OF GOD’S GRACIOUS WARNINGS

“If you refuse to let them go and continue to hold them back, the hand of the Lord will bring a terrible plague on your livestock in the field...Pharaoh investigated...” (Exodus 9:2-3, 7)

DON’T MISS THE EVIDENCE OF GOD’S PEOPLE

“The magicians could not stand before Moses because of the boils that were on them and on all the Egyptians.” (Exodus 9:11)

Welcome to Beloit First Christian Church (BFCC)

We are glad you’re here and pray you will experience God’s presence and love. We believe accepting and living in a right, loving relationship with God through Jesus Christ is the most important decision you will ever make. The Bible tells us: “*And this is what God has testified: He has given us eternal life, and this life is in his Son. Whoever has the Son has life; whoever does not have God’s Son does not have life.*” (1 John 5:11-12) Jesus Christ preached the “Gospel” (good news) of his coming and called everyone to:

- **Repent** from our sin—that is, reject and turn away from our old desires and actions of self-righteousness and self-indulgence that separate us from God and the life He has for us. To repent is to admit we need a Savior and to look to Him in trust.
- **Believe** that Jesus’ sacrificial death on the cross offers full forgiveness for our sins, and convincingly demonstrates God’s deep, active love for us.
- **Follow** Jesus, who rose from the dead and lives forever. Through the Holy Spirit, the life of Christ in us brings new life, a transformation of our desires, and the power to live obediently to God’s Word for all who put their faith and trust in him.

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Today’s worship leaders:

Praise Team Leader
Organist
Announcements
Prayer Leader
Elder
Preacher
Projection Operator
Sound Technician
Deacons

8:00 a.m.

Tristen & Ashley Long
Bobbi Link
Doug Betts
Dave Mealiff
Phil Vetter
Cliff Heagy
Jacob Scoggan
Drew Grabon
Tom Maxwell
Brady Luke
Drew Grabon
Loren Heller

10:30 a.m.

Tristen & Ashley Long
Bobbi Link
Doug Betts
Dave Mealiff
Phil Vetter
Cliff Heagy
Jacob Scoggan
Drew Grabon
Joey Behrends
Vernon Adams
Ed Allen
Ryan Batchman

Announcements

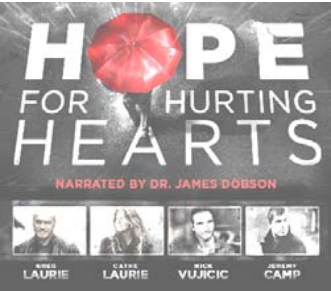
MARCH 29 — Maundy Thursday worship service at 7:00 p.m. (childcare available). In preparation for a great celebration of our Lord's resurrection, come and join us for a unique service of remembrance, repentance, and renewal where we focus on Jesus' suffering and death on our behalf. Childcare is available for this worship service.



APRIL 1 — Easter Sunday worship services at 8:00 a.m. and 10:30 a.m. (childcare available at both services). Christ is risen! Invite family and friends and join us in celebrating Jesus' amazing victory over death and the grave, proving himself to be the Savior and Lord over all. In addition to our two worship services, there is also Sunday Morning Small Groups for all ages at 9:30 a.m.



APRIL 1 — New Sunday morning small group for all adults begins: "Hope for Hurting Hearts." Sometimes, the reality of life can seem unbearable. But we can rest in the knowledge that God loves us, He weeps in our times of pain, and He can be glorified through suffering. Hope for Hurting Hearts tells the true stories of how Greg and Cathie Laurie, Jeremy Camp, Nick Vujicic, and their families dealt with times of trial. This study will meet in the Family Life Center North classroom on Sundays from 9:30 to 10:15 a.m., facilitated by Dave and Linda Mealiff.



APRIL 2 — "Questions and Conversation" This informal time of open discussion is led by Pastor Cliff and now takes place in the Church Library on the first Monday of every month at 7:00 p.m. This is not a pre-programmed study, but rather a place where your questions become the topic of conversation in a safe, accepting atmosphere. This group is open to everyone. Bring your questioning co-worker or friend!



APRIL 2 - 8 — Meals on Wheels drivers needed! BFCC is scheduled to deliver Meals on Wheels the week of April 2 - 8. There is a sign-up sheet located at the Welcome Center or you may contact Karen Buser (569-1212) with any questions.



Announcements

APRIL 7 — Women's Ministry Dinner at 5:30 p.m.: Women's Ministry will have a "music mixer" meal. Our goal is to fill 10 tables with seven women at each table. If you would like to "fill a table," or if you just want to be seated at a table, contact Amber Mihm at 452-0411, or Chris Miller at 738-7965.

APRIL 8 — New Sunday Morning Small Group for Men! "Let's man up. Are you or other men you know having trouble in their Christian walk? The good news is that these are troubles that can be avoided if we will just Man Up and follow Jesus. Join me on a journey through seven areas in a Christian man's life that need major attention." --from Man Up author Jody Burkeen. This men's small group book study will begin Sunday, April 8, 9:30 - 10:15 a.m. in the south classroom of the Family Life Center. If you would like to be a part of this study contact Kent Miller, 534-2633 (cell) so the books can be ordered.



APRIL 10 — Heart Choices Annual Spring Banquet (reservations required by April 3): Heart Choices is having their annual banquet at the Beloit Municipal Building on Tuesday, April 10, at 7:00 p.m. This year's featured speaker is Melissa Ohden, the survivor of a failed saline infusion abortion in 1977. After years of searching for her biological family and offering them forgiveness, Melissa's life is evidence of the intergenerational impact of abortion on all of our lives, and a testament to the beauty of God's grace and power: "but God intended it for good to accomplish what is now being done, the saving of many lives." (Genesis 50:20). The banquet is free, but reservations are required by calling 785-738-3433, or emailing: heartbeat@nckcn.com

APRIL 15 — BOOST Praise and Worship night (6:30 - 7:30 pm): Boost Ministries is a God-breathed Christian outreach here in Beloit that has a deep desire to help people grow closer to God through building relationships, demonstrating love, and actively praying for one another. Boost has regular women's groups that meet in the Guaranty State Bank Community room Wednesdays (6:30-7:00 am) and/or the first Sunday evening of each month (6:30-7:30 pm). This praise night at BFCC is open to everyone, as we unite to give God glory! For more information about Boost, contact Kristi Arasmith at boost@boostministries or 785-251-3135.



Announcements

APRIL 15 — Help support the Boost Praise Night by making cookies! As host for the Boost Praise Night, BFCC has been asked to provide cookies for 250 people. We are looking for any volunteers who could make 4 dozen cookies to donate. If interested, please contact Jodi File (738-0316), or sign-up at the Welcome Center. Thank you!



APRIL 17 — Pies are needed for the Community Blood Drive: The Community Blood Drive will take on April 17 at the North Central Kansas Technical College gym, and we have been asked to provide 16 pies. If you would like to help, there is a sign-up sheet at the Welcome Center. Pies need to be delivered to the NCKTC gym by 10:30 a.m. on April 17.

New online digital library resources available to our congregation: The Grace Ministries Online Digital Library is a free tool, provided by BFCC. It has a wealth of information on Christian counseling, discipleship, men's ministries, women's ministries, marriage enrichment, family relationships, Bible study, character development, pastoral care resources and mentoring programs with well know teachers including Dr. Gene Getz, Gary and Barb Rosberg, Dave Ramsey, Dr. Max Anderes, Dr. Robert Morgan, Greg Vaughn and others. This resource includes unlimited streaming use for our entire Church family through May 5, 2019, and also for people to whom you may be ministering. There is just one website, one user name, one password and no personal information is required from those who access these resources. More details are available at the Welcome Center or contact any pastor.



Be a part of a new BFCC photo directory! Because the Lord has blessed us with so many new folks here at BFCC, we'd love to put together a photo directory to help you better connect with one another. Simply email or text your individual or family photo, along with name, address, phone number, and email address to: cheagy@beloitfcc.org OR 785-534-0770. Thank you!



Children and Youth Ministries



FUSION

Jr High and High School Youth Group
Wednesday night from 7:00 - 8:30!

John 15:13 Greater love has no one than this: to lay down one's life for one's friends. Passion week. Sundays coming. What does the cross, & what Jesus did on it mean to us?



Family Night
Wednesday March 28th!
6:00 pm

All Clash students and their families are invited to come for one final CLASH session this school year. Join us at 6:00 pm and see what we've been up and what we're all about! We'll end the evening with a free meal!



VBS @ BFCC
Vacation Bible School
Beloit First Christian Church

Sunday July 29th - Thursday August 2nd 6:00 - 8:30 pm
VOLUNTEERS NEEDED! - VBS volunteer sign up at the Welcome center or visit with Pastor Doug. We'll have a VBS table up soon for more information!

Children and Youth Ministries

WHAT'S UP AT

Holy Week!

What is Holy Week? From Palm Sunday (today) to Resurrection Sunday (Easter) what was Jesus doing? What does this week mean to us today? How can we remember and celebrate the story of Jesus this week?



Christ In Youth - MOVE!
July 16 - 20th
Siloam Springs, Arkansas
Fusion Fundraisers

Sunday April 8th
9:30 - 10:30 am
BREAKFAST!

Join us for breakfast in the family
life center gym!

All donations go to support

students attending CIY Move!



MAY 26th - Memorial Day food booth in the park!

JUNE 8th - Dinner and a movie at BFCC!

Prayer requests from last Sunday

- Praise God with Donna and Barry Munsey since their great grandchild, Jett Thomas Thiessen, was released from the Wichita hospital on March 16, 2018.
- Praise God with Adrian and Ellen Meyer as they will celebrate their 40th wedding anniversary on March 19, 2018.
- Praise God with Dean Betts for the addition of Aryanne Hawke to their family recently.
- Praise God with Dan Reling as he gives thanks for all the prayers, cards, visits and rides he received from many church friends recently.
- Praise God with Susan Grabon as she passed a major test and is close to finishing her master's degree at Ft Hays State University.
- Praise God for the Beloit High School folks on the Washington DC trip last week.
- Praise God for the Man Up Sunday men's small group which is scheduled to launch April 8, 2018.
- Pray for Vernon Adams as he is scheduled for five artery heart bypass surgery on Tuesday, March 20, 2018, in Salina, KS.
- Pray for Jenny Wessling's Mom as she recovers from hip surgery last week.
- Pray with Jeanette Luke for Alex Greenway as she faces a several months recovery following injuries from a head on vehicle accident.
- Pray for Beth Harrison as she had a good doctor appointment at which she was scheduled for knee replacement surgery on May 17, 2018.
- Pray for Ileen Bean as she is scheduled to transfer from the Salina hospital to the Concordia hospital on March 19, 2018.
- Pray for Rob Heller for all that concerns him and his health concerns.
- Pray for Hazel Peterson as she has experienced reduced mobility and blurry vision.
- Pray for all those continuing in their struggle against cancer.
- Pray for the Beloit High School band students and sponsors as they travel to San Antonio, Texas next week.
- Pray for the family of Phyllis Kjellberg's Mom as her funeral was last week.
- Pray for the family of Nancy Cousland as her memorial service was March 16th.
- Pray for the family of Becky Staley's nephew who passed away.
- Pray for the family of Lisa Novak's friend, Dr Warren Freeborn, as he passed away.

Opportunities to Encourage

If you have any additions or corrections to these lists, please contact Karen Buser in the church office at 738-3071 or kbuser@beloitfcc.org

Birthdays:

- 3/27 Vicki Fincham
- 3/29 Joe Prather, Phil Vetter
- 3/30 Isaac Wiles
- 3/31 Charlie Lawrence
- 4/3 Mya Mihm
- 4/4 Stacey Allen, Beau Batchman
- 4/5 Gus Rice, Linda Smith
- 4/8 Brynna Allen, Tyler Allen, Sharayah Smith
- 4/9 J.R. Simmons
- 4/10 Gage Stewart
- 4/11 Neva Howland, Joslynn Kuiack, Danny Pfannenstiel
- 4/13 Hugh Scheck, Leo Scheck
- 4/14 Coleton Fobes, Julia Rabe, David Stouffer
- 4/17 Tatum Seyfert
- 4/18 Jesse Mudd, Raegan Stewart
- 4/19 Raylynn Anderes, Chandra Wagner

Anniversaries:

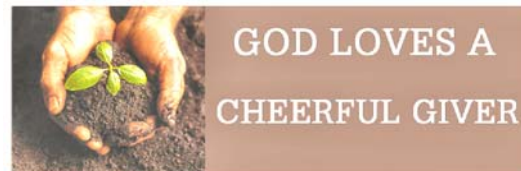
- 3/26 Doug & Janet Johnson
- 4/5 Matt & Chelci Kuiack
- 4/6 Merlin & Jackie Fobes
Nash & Tazsa Smith
- 4/8 Joe & Lori Deneke
- 4/14 Jason & Julia Rabe
- 4/16 Ed & Patty Allen
- 4/17 Nathan & Tracy Anderes
- 4/18 Don & Dawna Robinett
- 4/19 Loren & Kay Heller

Hilltop Lodge Nursing Home

- Lela File
- Betty Melton
- Rod Pearson
- Hazel Peterson
- Lois Simoneau
- LaDonna Snyder
- Gerald Briney

The Nicol Nursing Home (Glasco)

- Neva Howland



The Latest Financial Report:

February Giving: \$ 23,092.10
 February Expenses: \$ 43,195.64
 Year-to-Date Giving: \$ 48,569.51
 Year-to-Date Expenses: \$ 75,124.55

Calendar

March 25 (Sunday)

- 8:00 a.m. Worship Service (childcare available)
- 9:30 a.m. *Small groups (all ages):* Sunday morning small groups
- 10:30 a.m. Worship Service (childcare and Kid's church available)

March 26 (Monday)

- 6:30 p.m. DivorceCare - Family Life Center South Classroom
- 6:30 p.m. DivorceCare for Kids - Family Life Center North Classroom

March 27 (Tuesday)

- 9:00 a.m. *Small group (over 50):* "Metallic Bible Study: Book of James" - Church Library; Terry Shamburg (785-738-7492)

March 28 (Wednesday)

- 5:30 a.m. *Small group:* STRONG exercise group - Family Life Center Gym; Gabbie Smith (785-534-9360)
- 6:00 a.m. *Small group (men):* "Man in the Mirror" - Guaranty State Bank; Doug Johnson (785-738-2573)
- 6:00 p.m. CLASH (students in grades 1-6) - Church Sanctuary; Doug Betts (785-488-5047)
- 6:00 p.m. *Small group:* "The Minor Prophets" - Church Library; Keith Williams (785-738-2936)
- 7:00 p.m. Fusion (students in grades 7-12) - Upper Level Youth Room; Doug Betts (785-488-5047)
- 7:00 p.m. *Small group (women):* "12 Ordinary Men" - Mill Street Mission House (312 N. Mill Street); Chris Miller (785-738-7965)

March 29 (Maundy Thursday)

- 6:00 a.m. *Small group (women):* "Lead Like Jesus" - Church Library; Jeanette Luke (785-738-2135)
- 7:00 p.m. Maundy Thursday Worship Service

March 30 (Friday)

- 5:30 a.m. *Small group:* STRONG exercise group - Family Life Center Gym; Gabbie Smith (785-534-9360)

April 1 (Easter Sunday)

- 8:00 a.m. Worship Service (childcare available)
- 9:30 a.m. *Small groups (all ages):* Sunday morning small groups
- 10:30 a.m. Worship Service (childcare and Kid's church available)